

COUNCIL CHAMBERS -- CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL --- CITY OF LODI
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1942

REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday, November 18, 1942, 8 o'clock P.M.

COUNCILMEN PRESENT - Coffield: W.J., Riggs: W.E., Rinn: Robert H., Weihe: O.A. (4)

COUNCILMEN ABSENT - Bull: C.B. (in service of United States Army) (1)

In the absence of Mayor Bull and on motion of Councilman Coffield, Robert H. Rinn was chosen Mayor pro-tem and opened the meeting.

ALSO ATTENDING - John A. Henning, Supt. Public Utilities, Clinton Henning City Engineer, Glenn West, City Attorney, Fred W. Post, Superintendent Sewage Disposal Plant and George D. Polenske, Fire Chief. Mr C. S. Jackson, Chief of Police was present during the latter part of the meeting.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - Minutes of the last Council meeting held November 4, 1942 were read at length by the Clerk, approved as read and so endorsed by Mayor Rinn.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - Mr Thomas Chinn complained about clogging of the joint sewer line serving his dwelling at 23 N. Church Street and the dwellings of Floyd Knight at 19 North Church Street, stating that a tree on the premises of Knight was the cause of the trouble. Matter referred to John A. Henning, Superintendent of Public Utilities for such action as might be necessary or for report to the Council.

John Nitschke filed a request signed by sixteen persons asking that Olive Court be extended from Pleasant Avenue to California Street. This matter having been before the City Council and the City Planning Commission at several times in the past, Mr Nietschke was informed that he should obtain deeds from consenting property owners if opening of this street in whole or part was not to be undertaken by the formation of an assessment district. City Engineer Clinton Henning offered to draw up property descriptions and City Attorney Glenn West volunteered to make the deed or deeds covering the same.

Mr Wilson Henry Thompson and Mr Charles L. Kobes of the local Salvage Committee asked the Council's assistance in the collection of tin cans, particularly in informing housewives as to the methods to be followed and in having the local scavenger company take care of their collection. The Committee was assured of full support of the City Council.

Claude Allen, Caretaker at Lake Park, complained about the condition of the dwelling occupied by him. He was promised that repairs would be made at the earliest opportunity.

Fire Chief George D. Polenske requested that the Council petition the Local Draft Board for deferement from draft until at least January 1, 1943 of Truck Drivers R. B. Venable and Bert Wilson. The City Clerk was directed to apply for such deferement in the name of the City Council.

Proposals for the purchase of a pile of wood at lake park were opened, Union Ice Company bidding \$2.50 per tier, Wm. Rowe, \$40.00 for the lot, J.R. Pullen \$65.00 and Clinton Henning \$80.00 also lot bids. On motion of Councilman Coffield, Riggs second, the proposal of Mr Henning was accepted.

COMMUNICATIONS AND NOTICES - A letter from George P. DuBose of the Evacuation Committee of Stockton Defense Council was referred to the City Clerk to obtain fuller information as to the \$28.00 monthly contribution solicited therein for the maintenance of children's records.

W. F. Keeske, Personnel Clerk filed a list of eligibles for appointment as Police Patrolmen and also of those eligible under a new classification as "Temporary Patrolmen". Fire Chief Polenske requested that a position similar to that of Temporary Police Patrolman be established in the Fire Department as the draft and enlistments made the procuring of men conforming to the regular classification practically impossible. Request approved and the City Clerk directed to make such a recommendation to the Board of Review.

A letter from police patrolman Walter A. Smith requesting a pay increase was taken under consideration as he had not served a full year in his present class.

Police Chief C. S. Jackson asked that the Council equip police car No 3 for patrol duty, recommending that a siren owned by Earl E. May be purchased for the sum of \$ 50.00 and installed on this car. On motion of Councilman Riggs, Weihe second, Chief Jackson was authorized to make this purchase and have the siren installed.

In accordance with the direction of the City Council given November 4, 1942, City Engineer Clinton Henning presented his recommendations for use of man-power at the City Sewage Disposal Plant, recommending that the men now on night duty be employed in the day-time at the plant or elsewhere and that night service be performed by automatic warning devices to be installed. Recommendation approved on motion of Councilman Coffield, Weihe second, with the direction that the plan be put into operation as soon as possible.

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The City Clerk reported that he was in receipt of rulings of the War Labor Board that exempted proposed salary changes becoming effective November 1, 1942 from the restrictions on pay increases imposed by the Executive Order of October 3, 1942 freezing wages in certain instances.

Consideration of changes in the organization of the Local Defense Council as suggested by the National Director of Civilian Defense as embodied in a proposed form of ordinance promulgated by the League of California Cities resulted in the order that the proposed ordinance be referred to the local council for review and recommendation, legal phases in doubt to be considered with the assistance of the City Attorney.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - On motion of Councilman Riggs, Weihe second, Mr E.W. Sipe, present Executive Secretary of Lodi War Price and Rationing Board, was employed as Assistant Secretary of the Lodi Defense Council, part-time basis of \$60.00 per month beginning November 1, 1942.

NEW BUSINESS - Forms for statements to be filed in support of proposed legislation enabling the State to assist cities in the financing of expenditures for war connected activities were submitted by the City Clerk; he was directed to review the same and, if expedient, make up the statements for review by the Council before submitting them to the Committee on Legislation of the League of California Cities.

Notice of transfer of the alcoholic beverage licenses at 118 1/2 N. Cherokee Lane to Wm. Lehr was received from the State Board of Equalization.

The report of the audit of the City's financial transactions for the two fiscal years last past was received from A. F. Harrison Company, who performed the audit.

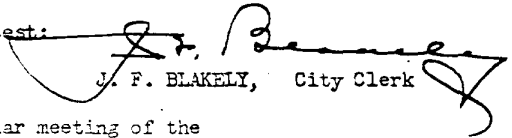
Two applications for business licenses (restaurants) were given first reading and ordered to take the course prescribed by Ordinance No. 277.

At this time, the Clerk read a letter from Clifford B. Bull, Mayor and City Councilman, dated November 15, 1942 submitting his resignation. Mr Bull, being now enlisted in the armed forces of the United States and stationed at present at Presidio of Monterey, stated that he regretfully severed his connection with the City.

On motion of Councilman Coffield, Riggs second, the resignation of Mayor Bull was ordered accepted and the Clerk directed to write Mr Bull conveying the regrets of the City Council and assuring him of their best wishes wherever duty might call him.

The Council was then called into a short executive session at 11:00 o'clock P.M. returning to open meeting at 11:06 o'clock P.M. when adjournment was taken on motion of Councilman Weihe.

Attest:


J. F. BLAKELY, City Clerk

The foregoing minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held November 13, 1942 were read at length at a subsequent meeting of said City Council held December 2, 1942 and approved without correction


Mayor of the City of Lodi

December 2, 1942.